

In the Claims

14. (twice amended) A [suspension assembly] disk drive system, comprising:
a microactuator having a connecting end;

a slider/head assembly [having a connecting end] positioned on the
microactuator;

a suspension having a connecting end and electrically conducting paths; and
an interconnect module [coupling the connecting ends of the suspension and the
slider/head assembly to route one or more data signals between said electrically
conducting paths and said slider/head assembly, such that the connecting end of the
suspension is positioned in a first direction and the connecting end of the slider/head is
positioned in a second direction] positioned between the suspension and the microactuator,
the interconnect module coupling the connected end of the suspension and the connected end of
the microactuator such that the connected end of the suspension is positioned in a first direction
and the connecting end of the microactuator is positioned in a second direction.

15. [original] The [suspension assembly] disk drive system of claim 14, wherein said
suspension is an integrated lead suspension.

16. [cancelled] The [suspension assembly] disk drive system of claim 14, wherein
said suspension is configured for in-line mounting of said slider/head assembly.

17. (twice amended) The [suspension assembly] disk drive system of claim 16,
wherein said slider/head assembly is [orthognally] orthogonally mounted onto said
suspension.

21. [currently amended] An assembly, comprising:
a first device;
a second device; and
an interconnect device coupled between said first and second devices to route one or more signals between said first and second devices,
wherein said first device is a microactuator and said second device is a suspension.

24. (currently amended) A storage device, comprising:
a disk;
a spindle motor positioned to support and rotate said disk;
a suspension assembly including an interconnect module coupled between a slider/head assembly and a suspension, said suspension having electrically conducting paths, and said interconnect module routing one or more data signals between said electrically conducting paths and said slider/head assembly; and
[an actuator] a microactuator coupled to said suspension assembly and operable to position said suspension assembly above said disk to access said disk for reading and/or writing operations.